

# Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board

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# ARIZONA PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING BOARD MINUTES OF MEETING JUNE 20, 2012 PHOENIX, ARIZONA

A public meeting of the Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board was convened on June 20, 2012, at AZ POST, located at 2643 E. University Drive, Phoenix, AZ.

#### Members Present:

Mr. Joseph Duarte, Chairman

Chief Steven Campbell

Chief Kevin Kotsur

Sheriff Scott Mascher

Ms. Leesa Morrison representing Attorney General Tom Horne

Deputy Anthony Nelson

**Detention Director Mike Olson** 

Director Charles Ryan

Sergeant Robert Thompson

Deputy Director Dennis Young, representing Director Bobby Halliday

#### Members Absent:

Sheriff John Armer

Dr. Scott Decker

Ms. Wendy Larsen

#### Staff in Attendance:

Ted Brandon

Mike Deltenre

Marie Dryer

Rosalee Fitch

Sandy Hansberger

Jon Heiden

**Bob Irish** 

Steve Jacobs

Lori Ketron

Lynn Larson

Lyle Mann

Gary Maschner

Curt Milam

Paul Orfe

Lynn Pirkle Sandy Sierra Chester Szoltysik Don Yennie

Assistant Attorney General Diana Stabler Nancy Beck

#### A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Duarte called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

# B. Introductions, Presentations and Announcements

Executive Director Mann, along with Chairman Duarte, presented Curt Milam with a plaque in appreciation for his outstanding service to AZ POST. Curt is retiring at the end of the month.

# C. Legislative Update

Executive Director Mann discussed with the Board the latest developments regarding SB-1070. He provided a copy of Governor's Executive Order 2012-02 Continued Law Enforcement Training for Immigration Laws, the reissued SB-1070 Training DVD and the letter from the ACLU regarding Executive Order 2012-02. He also discussed the newly created House Ad Hoc Committee on Law Enforcement as it relates to certification of police agencies.

# D. Proposed 2012/2013 Fiscal Year Budget

Executive Director Mann presented the 2012/2013 fiscal year budget to the Board for its approval.

Deputy Director Young made a motion to adopt the proposed 2012/2013 Arizona POST budget at the category level to allow appropriate flexibility for staff, seconded by Chief Campbell, motion carried unanimously.

#### **E.** Final Action Cases:

# Case #1 – Michael D. Dorsett – AZ Department of Public Safety

Deputy Director Young, Chief Campbell and Ms. Morrison recused themselves from this case. The Board considered comments from Assistant A.G. Nancy Beck and Mr. Dorsett. Sheriff Mascher made a motion to impose a one year suspension of peace officer certification from March 31, 2010, to March 31, 2011, seconded by Chief Kotsur, motion carried unanimously. Deputy Nelson made a motion to adopt the Administrative

Law Judge's Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, seconded by Director Ryan, motion carried unanimously.

#### Case #2 – Glenn Cromwell Jr. – White Mountain Apache Police Department

The Board considered comments from Assistant A.G. Diana Stabler. Chief Kotsur made a motion to adopt the Consent Agreement, Decision and Order for voluntary relinquishment of peace officer certification, seconded by Mr. Ryan, motion carried unanimously.

#### Case #3 – Richard W. Draper – La Paz County Sheriff's Office

Deputy Nelson recused himself from this case. The Board considered comments from Assistant A.G. Diana Stabler. Director Olson made a motion to adopt the Consent Agreement, Decision and Order for voluntary relinquishment of peace officer certification, seconded by Chief Campbell, motion carried unanimously.

## Case #4 – John C. Flanagan – Phoenix Police Department

The Board considered comments from Assistant A.G. Diana Stabler and Dale Norris, Attorney for Mr. Flanagan. After a lengthy discussion, Chief Campbell made a motion to modify the Consent Agreement, Decision and Order and impose a three year suspension of peace officer certification from August 6, 2011, to August 6, 2014, seconded by Deputy Nelson, motion failed with 5 nay votes. Ms. Morrison made a motion for a one year suspension of peace officer certification from August 6, 2011, to August 6, 2012, seconded by Chief Kotsur, motion passed with 4 nay votes. The modification will be proposed to Officer Flanagan for his consideration.

#### Case #5 – Scott A. Ramsey – Scottsdale Police Department

The Board considered comments from Assistant A.G. Diana Stabler. Chief Campbell made a motion to adopt the Consent Agreement, Decision and Order for voluntary relinquishment of peace officer certification, seconded by Chief Kotsur, motion carried unanimously.

#### Case #6 – Jonathan Stuifbergen – Avondale Police Department

Chief Kotsur recused himself from this case. The Board considered comments from Assistant A.G. Diana Stabler. Chief Campbell made a motion to adopt the Consent Agreement, Decision and Order for voluntary relinquishment of peace officer certification, seconded by Ms. Morrison, motion carried unanimously.

# Case #7 – Victor H. Valenzuela – Maricopa Police Department

The Board considered comments from Assistant A.G. Diana Stabler. Chief Kotsur made a motion to adopt the Consent Agreement, Decision and Order and impose a six month suspension of peace officer certification from March 15, 2012, to September 15, 2012, seconded by Deputy Nelson, motion carried unanimously.

# Case #8 – Alexander S. Yegorov – South Tucson Police Department

The Board considered comments from Assistant A.G. Diana Stabler. Deputy Nelson made a motion to adopt the Consent Agreement, Decision and Order for voluntary relinquishment of peace officer certification, seconded by Chief Kotsur, motion carried unanimously.

#### Case #9 – Joel E. Bradley – Hualapai Nation Police Department

The Board considered comments from Compliance Manager Bob Irish. Chief Kotsur made a motion to adopt the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and impose a six month suspension of peace officer certification from December 13, 2010, to June 13, 2011, seconded by Deputy Director Young, motion carried unanimously.

# <u>Case #10 – Christine Thinn – Navajo Division of Public Safety</u>

Chairman Duarte recused himself from this case. Deputy Director Young was acting chair. The Board considered comments from Compliance Manager Bob Irish and Ms. Thinn. Sheriff Mascher made a motion to adopt the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and revoke peace officer certification, seconded by Deputy Director Young, motion carried unanimously.

# F. New Charging Cases:

# Case #1 – Richard J. Corso – Gila County Sheriff's Office

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Ted Brandon. Chief Kotsur made a motion to close this case with *No Action with Agency Discretion*, seconded by Lt. Colonel Young, motion carried unanimously.

# <u>Case #2 – Danny R. Culley – AZ Western College Campus Police Department</u>

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Steve Jacobs. Deputy Nelson motion to *Research Further*, seconded by Chief Kotsur, motion carried unanimously.

#### Case #3 – Bobby M. Hernandez – El Mirage Police Department

Chief Campbell recused himself from this case. The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Steve Jacobs. Chief Kotsur made a motion to *Initiate Proceedings*, seconded by Deputy Nelson, motion carried unanimously.

#### Case #4 – Mark A. Hillegas – Payson Police Department

The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Ted Brandon. Chief Campbell made a motion to *Initiate Proceedings*, seconded by Chief Kotsur, motion carried unanimously.

## Case #5 – William F. Lonon – Yavapai County Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Mascher and Deputy Nelson recused themselves from this case. The Board considered comments from Compliance Specialist Gary Maschner. Deputy Director Young made a motion to close this case with *No Action with Agency Discretion*, seconded by Director Ryan, motion carried unanimously.

# G. Adjourn

Chairman Duarte adjourned the meeting at 11:49 a.m.